IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 6122

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METHOD OF MAKING SAME : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated May 13, 2008, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975.